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C O N F I D E N T I A L USBERLIN 1700

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SUBJECT: WELT STORY ON FEDERAL PROSECUTION OF LORENZ  
KIDNAPPERS IN BERLIN

RERF: BONN 13126

1. DIE WELT AUG. 16 CARRIES PIECE ON P. 2 SOURCED TO QUOTE  
JUSTICE AUTHORITY UNQUOTE REPORTING THAT ALLIES HAD AGREED  
TO PERMIT THE PROSECUTION OF THE LORENZ KIDNAPPERS TO TAKE  
PLACE IN BERLIN AND THE FEDERAL PROSECUTOR TO HANDLE THE CASE  
IN BERLIN. STORY NOTES, HOWEVER, THAT BUBACK HIMSELF WILL NOT  
BE PROSECUTOR. ALLIES ARE SAID TO HAVE EXAMINED THE ISSUE  
WITHOUT DELAYING THE INVESTIGATION AND TO HAVE CONCLUDED  
ALONG WITH THE FEDERAL GOVT AND BERLIN SENAT THAT A FEDERAL  
PROSECUTION IN BERLIN WOULD NOT REPEAT NOT BE A VIOLATION OF  
THE QA SINCE NO GOVERNANCE OF BERLIN WAS INVOLVED

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2. WITH PHONE CALLS COMING AUG. 16, WE WORKED OUT FOL-

LOWING PRESS GUIDANCE BASED ON REFTEL WITH EMBASSY BONN:

" WHILE ONLY THE RESPONSIBLE GERMAN AUTHORITIES ARE IN A POSITION TO COMMENT AUTHORITATIVELY ON THE STATUS OF THE INVESTIGATION, IT IS NOT OUR IMPRESSION THAT ANY INDICTMENTS IN THE CASE ARE IMMINENT.

THOSE GERMAN AUTHORITIES CARRYING OUT THE BERLIN PORTION OF THE INVESTIGATION ARE ACTING IN CONFORMITY WITH ALLIED RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES AND ARE SUBJECT TO ALLIED AUTHORITY."

WE HAVE SUBMITTED THIS FOR PRO FORMA BRITISH AND FRENCH CLEARANCE ( PRO FORMA BECAUSE IT WAS ESSENTIALLY CLEARED IN BONN). WE WILL NOT RPT NOT CONFIRM FACT OF ALLIED DECISION.

3. WE EXPECT WELT STORY WILL STIR NON-VACATIONING SOVIETS INTO ACTION. IF SO, WE WILL ADHERE TO ORAL STATEMENT OF POLAD TO TYUTYNOV MADE ON AUGUST 6 ( USBERLIN 1631). UNFORTUNATELY THIS DOES NOT FULLY ADDRESS THE NEW SOVIET TWIST IN THEIR AUGUST 6 COMPLAINT , I.E., THAT IT WILL BE EQUALLY BAD WHETHER THE FEDERAL PROSECUTOR GENERAL HIMSELF CONDUCTS THE PROSECUTION IN BERLIN, OR WHETHER IT IS CONDUCTED BY A REPRESENTATIVE OF HIS OFFICE.  
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